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THE BEATITUDES

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For They Shall Be Comforted

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- **The opposite of modern view.**

- World urges to get all the pleasure out of life, that is where comfort is found.

- Even David looked for comfort away from his troubles.

Ps. 55:6-8

- But comfort was found in God.

Ps. 55:16, 22; Isa. 40:28-31

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cf. Gen. 37:33-35
 - But not all who mourn are blessed:
 - No blessing for the pessimist.
Exo. 14:10-12; Num. 13:25-33; Heb. 3:16-19
 - No blessing for the self-pitiers.
1 Kings 19:2-4; Heb. 12:16-17
 - No blessing for those with an injured pride.
1 Sam. 18:6-9

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- Eccl. 5:13-16***

- No blessing for those who mourn the consequence of their sin. ***2 Cor. 7:8-10***

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 - Mourners that are blessed:
 - Those who mourn over their own sins.
Ps. 51:2-4, 17; Joel 2:12-13; James 4:8-10
 - Those who mourn over the sins of others.
Phil. 3:18; 1 Cor. 5:2
 - Those who mourn with others.
Rom. 12:15; John 11:33-35

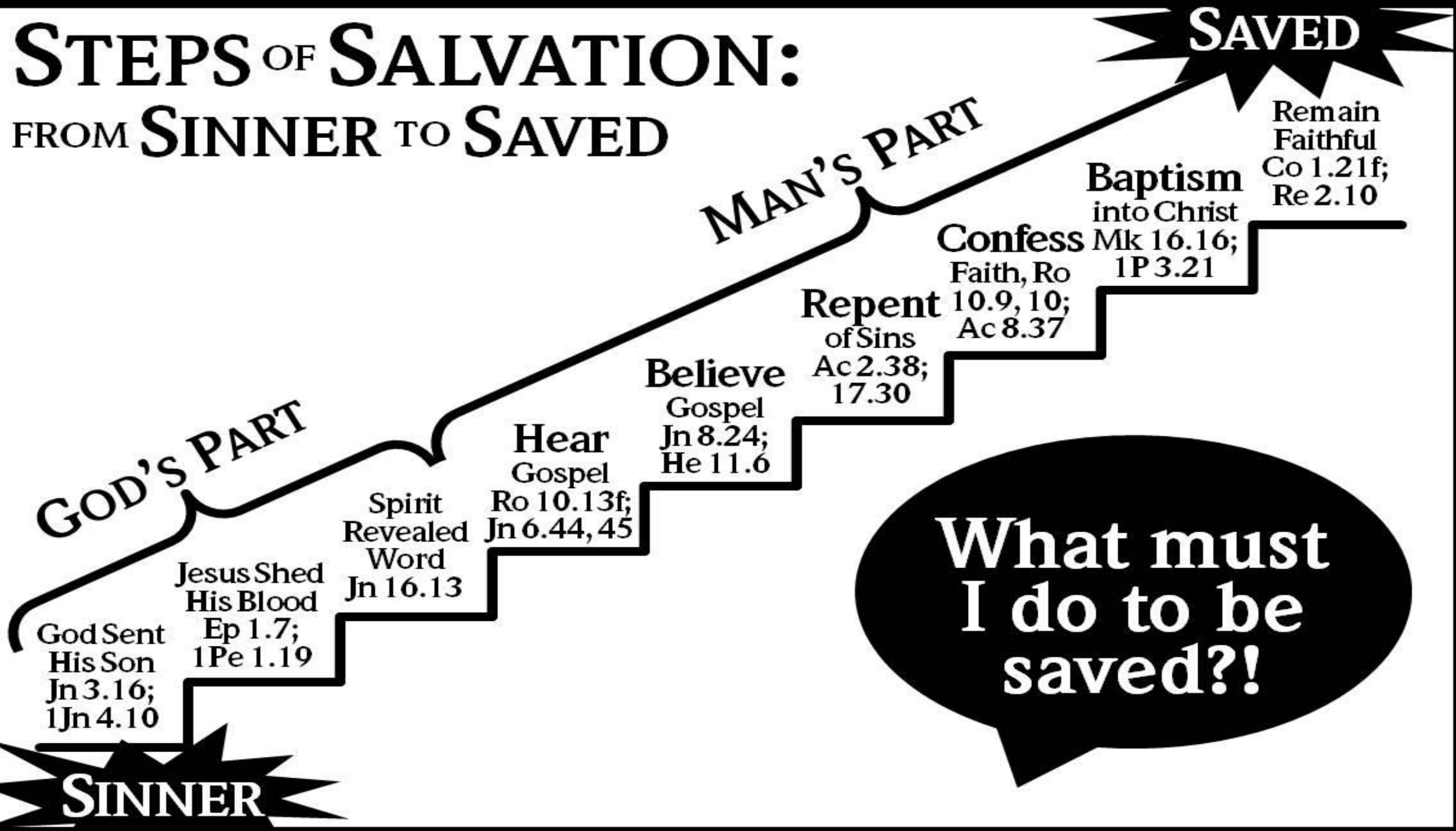
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- **The effect of such mourning: “they shall be comforted”**
 - **Comfort in knowing our sins are forgiven.**
Isa. 61:1-3; Ps. 32:1-2; 2 Sam. 12:13
 - **Joy in seeing others come to Jesus.**
Gal. 6:1; James 5:19-20
 - **Joy in alleviating the pain of others.**
Gal. 6:2; Acts 20:35
 - **The comfort of heaven.** ***Ps. 30:4-5; Rev. 21:3-4***

STEPS OF SALVATION:

FROM **SINNER** TO **SAVED**



GOD'S PART

MAN'S PART

What must I do to be saved?!

SINNER

SAVED